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SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF CGT SEC GEN RUCCI

1. GENERAL CONFEDERATION OF LABOR (CGT) DECLARED 30-HOUR WORK STOPPAGE BEGINNING 6 PM SEP 25 IN REPUDIATION OF ASSASSINATION OF CGT SEC GEN RUCCI. EMBASSY WILL REMAIN CLOSED DURING WORK STOPPAGE. RUCCI'S CHAUFFEUR WAS ALSO KILLED IN AMBUSH, ALLEGEDLY BY APPROXIMATELY TEN HEAVILY ARMED, UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUALS, AND A BODYGUARD WAS GRAVELY WOUNDED.

2. IMMEDIATE, WIDESPREAD REACTION WAS THAT ASSASSINATION WAS WORK OF PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY ARMY (ERP) AS THEIR DEFIANT REACTION TO SEP 24 GOA DECISION TO DECLARE ERP ILLEGAL AND TO PROSCRIBE ALL ITS ACTIVITIES. RUCCI, WHO FOR THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS HAS BEEN UNDER A "DEATH SENTENCE", PASSED BY THE ERP BECAUSE OF HIS IDENTIFICATION WITH THE CONSERVATIVE, "TRADE UNION BUREAUCRACY", WAS A LOGICAL TARGET FOR THE GROUP, IF IT INDEED WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ASSASSINATION. A RADIO BROADCAST PICKED UP FROM A URUGUAYAN STATION REPORTED THE ERP CLAIMED "CREDIT" FOR THE ACT, BUT LOCAL STATIONS HAVE NOT YET REPORTED THE STORY.

3. COMMENT. THIS ASSASSINATION WILL UNDOUBTEDLY GIVE ADDED IMPETUS TO GOA DECISION TO CRACK DOWN ON TERRORIST ACTIVITIES, AND MAY
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WELL LEAD TO SEVERE REPRISALS BY LABOR IF IT DECIDES TO REVENGE

RUCCI'S DEATH.
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